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As the victorious twins of LMJ2A \$nd
JOVE,
(That taught the Spartans dancing on
the sands -
Of swift Euwtas) dance in heaven
above_s
Knit and united with eternal bands ;
Among the stars ₉ their double
image stands, Where "both are
earned with an equal pace₉
Together jumping in their
turning race*

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This is the net, wherein the
sun's bright eye* VENUS and
MARS entangled did behold /
For in this dance, their arms
they so imply, As each doth
seem, the other to enfold.
What if lewd wits another tale
have told,
Of jealous VULCAN₉ and of iron
chains !
Yet this true sense, that forged he
contains*

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These various forms ,qf dancing,
LOVE did frame, And besides these₃ a
hundred millions mo[r]le ; And as he
did invent, he taught the same :
With goodly gesture, and with
comely show, Now keeping state,
now humbly "honouring low. A nd
ever for the persons and the place,
He taught most fit, and best
according grace*

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For LOVE, within his fertile working
brain,
Did then conceive- those gracious
Virgins three,
Whose civil moderation did maintain
All decent order and convemency,
And fair respect, and seemly modesty :
And then_y he thought it fit they
should be born₉ That their sweet
presence _t Dancing might adorn.